

REMARKS

Claims 2, 3, 6, and 8-24 are pending. Claims 1, 4, 5, and 7 are canceled herewith, and claims 8-24 are new.

In an Official Action dated Dec. 5, 2006, claims 4 and 5 were rejected under 35 USC § 112. This rejection is moot because claims 4 and 5 are canceled. Pending claims 2, 3, and 6 were rejected under 35 USC §102. These rejections are respectfully traversed and/or the claims are amended to overcome the rejections.

Rejection of Claim 2 Under 35 USC §102

Claim 2 was rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Pat 5, 680,123 (Lee). However, Lee does not disclose all the elements of independent claim 2. Claim 2 requires changing an angle of a camera by linking the camera to turn signal controls. For example claim 2, as amended, requires, *inter alia*:

a link between the turn signals of the motorcycle and the angle adjusting component for changing the angle of the camera mountable to the motorcycle, wherein activation of the turn signals of the motorcycle activates the angle adjusting component for changing the angle of the camera mountable to the motorcycle.

While Lee switches from one camera to another upon activation of a turn signal (*see* Lee col. 1 line 57 – col. 2 line 11), Lee does not adjust an *angle* of a camera as required by the claim.

Moreover, claim 2 as amended herewith, as well as claims 3, 6, and various of the new dependent claims 8-24 are directed to aspects unique to motorcycle embodiments. For example, claim 2, as amended, requires *at least one of a suction cup, a threaded post, and an interlocking fabric for mounting the display screen to said gas tank*. Applicants submit that this and other limitations presented in the claims overcome certain difficulties that are unique to motorcycles and require knowledge of motorcycle systems and operation to solve.

Rejection of Claim 3 Under 35 USC §102

Claim 3 was rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Pat 6,813,371 (Kakinami). However, Kakinami does not disclose all the elements of independent claim 3. Claim 3 requires changing an angle of a camera by linking the camera to a motorcycle transmission. For example claim 3, as amended, requires, *inter alia*:

a link between the transmission of the motorcycle and the angle adjusting component for changing the angle of the camera mountable to the motorcycle, wherein switching said transmission from one gear to another activates the angle adjusting component for changing the angle of the camera mountable to the motorcycle.

Kakinami does not disclose changing camera *angle* by linking it to transmission controls, as we require in claim 3. Instead, Kakinami merely activates a rearward camera when reverse gear is engaged (*see* Kakinami col. 4 lines 15-40).

Rejection of Claim 6 Under 35 USC §102

Claim 6 was rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Pat 6,476,731 (Miki). However, Miki does not disclose all the elements of independent claim 6. Claim 6 requires *wherein said images are stitched together to form a single continuous image*. The Examiner will appreciate that Miki does not disclose stitching images from multiple cameras into a single continuous image, as we require in claim 6.

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Conclusion

The claims as amended herewith define over the references of record. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections.

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